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7. Talked with Carl Marcy, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, to learn in greater detail what was desired from the DCI for tomorrow's briefing. Mr. Marcy advised on an off-the-record basis that originally it had been suggested that the Committee get a briefing on the Far East situation and since Mr. Herter was making preparations to go abroad it seemed undesirable to have to brief himself on these subjects. The possibility of having Mr. Robertson, Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs, was not of particular interest to most of the Committee and Senator Fulbright suggested that he would like to hear from CIA. The base was broadened to request of the Agency a briefing on Tibet and Iraq and whatever other items the Director thought worthy of mentioning to the Committee.

8. Dr. Martin Swieg in Congressman John W. McCormack's office telephoned indicating the Congressman was interested in the request contained in a letter of 22 April 1959 to the DCI requesting that he make a speech in Boston on the night of 10 June 1959. The letter was from a [redacted] Vice President of Liberty Mutual. [redacted] then got on the telephone and indicated that the talk would be before the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and that he had been referred to Colonel Grogan. I indicated that I would look into the matter and advise further.

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This matter was discussed with Colonel Grogan who is recommending that the Director decline. I requested Colonel Grogan to advise me when he gets the Director's answer and as he is preparing to call [redacted] so that simultaneously I can telephone Mr. McCormack's office.

Subsequently, I discussed the matter with the DCI to indicate that McCormack's office had expressed an interest. The Director indicated he was not going to accept the invitation.

9. Telephoned Kenneth Be Liss, Staff Director, Senate Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee, to confirm the luncheon on 30 April and also set a time for an additional briefing at 12 o'clock.

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